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## WEST CAMPUS

# SafeHorns hosts National Night Out

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Brenda Nguyen, health and society sophomore, learned to use a pepper spray for the first time during West Campus National Night Out. The event, hosted by SafeHorns Tuesday night, was the first of its kind to be held in West Campus.

National Night Out is a nationwide program started in 1984 in order to get people to interact with their

neighbors and police officers to strengthen police-community relationships and reduce crime.

UTPD and APD held a kick-off event Oct. 1, and this year's Austin National Night Out includes several events on and off campus partnering with over 600 student and commercial organizations.

UTPD Assistant Chief Peter Scheets has worked in municipal police for 20 years and said information and notifications

from residents are valuable for police to better combat crimes and maintain a safer environment.

"The community safety is the whole community's concern, police officers are the ones who are paid to do it, full time, but it's everybody's responsibility," Scheets said. "If we don't actually get out and get into the community and find out what their concerns are, then we are not gonna be effective as a police department."

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Advertising sophomore Tara Salazar talks to UTPD officer Decker at National Night Out.

## POLICE

# UTPD calls on students to partner with police

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As the University's "Be Safe" safety campaign continues through the fall semester, UTPD chief David Carter spoke Tuesday at Student Government's general assembly meeting about the need for students and police to work together.

Carter highlighted a number of concerns for the department during his speech, including student and UTPD relations, and the various challenges the department faces policing what Carter called the "not-so-small city" of UT.

"The tragic murder last spring clearly brought a lot of these issues to light," Carter said of the April murder of freshman Haruka Weiser on campus. "We have to work together. We have to work and have students understand that their safety is in as much of their hands as ours."

Carter focused much of his speech on the need for UTPD to have a strong relationship with the student body, citing recent national incidents that he said may have damaged students' trust in the department.

"Our vision is not to be the safest place in the world," Carter said. "Our vision is to be trusted and respected. If we are

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## CAMPUS

# DACA recipients share stories of hardship

By Alessandra Jara  
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When anthropology senior Juan Belman was 10 years old a Coyote led him, his mother and his four-year-old brother across the Rio Grande and into the U.S. Faced with an upcoming border checkpoint, Belman and his mother were forced to hide in the trunk while the smuggler and his wife pretended Belman's brother was their own child.

Belman and other Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients will share their stories of trial and determination on Oct. 5 as part of the Center for Mexican American Studies' Hispanic Heritage Month event, "Living the Dream: A real discussion on the impact of DACA." The panel will discuss the present state of DACA and likely



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DACA recipient Juan Belman will share his life story as part of the Center for Mexican American Studies' Hispanic Heritage Month.

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## NATIONAL

# Vice presidential candidates debate, defend running mates

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Vice presidential candidates Mike Pence and Tim Kaine faced off in a debate Tuesday night as students observed at watch parties throughout campus.

LBJ School of Public Affairs held a watch party with Dean Angela Evans, where they ate food and discussed the debate, which primarily focused on defense of their respective running mates.

Brooke Holleman, energy and earth resources and public affairs graduate student, said she did not hear as much about the environment as she would have liked.

"Outside of Tim Kaine talking about Hillary Clinton's plan to invest in clean energy in terms of her jobs program, I didn't hear anything from the other side," Holleman said. "Natural resources is a really important issue and that wasn't at play much here."



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Holleman said the format of the debate wasn't well suited for a discussion of the issues.

"It's hard to have a discussion when you're just trying to get points across," Holleman said. "It would have been better suited if each side could talk and have a more structured debate rather than a discussion."

Christopher Newman, public affairs graduate student, is an

exchange student from Berlin, Germany, giving him a unique perspective on the 2016 presidential election. Because Newman is a dual citizen, he will be able to vote in November. Newman said he's voting for Clinton and not just because he wants to vote against Trump.

"For me, it really is a vote

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## CITY

# Adler unveils \$10 million bond to support city's live music scene

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Mayor Steve Adler recently announced a new plan for a \$10 million bond that will sustain local music venues facing surging rent in Austin and stimulate economic development in the city's industry.

In a partnership with San Francisco-based start-up Neighborly, the money will be crowdsourced from various investors and will primarily be used to purchase and preserve iconic venues.

"Austin won't be the Live Music Capital of the World if we keep losing music venues," Adler said. "Now, thanks to Neighborly, we have a way to do something about it."

James McIntyre, head of public finance for Neighborly, said the creativity and history of civic in-



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The Local, a music venue on Guadalupe Street, is on of many in Austin that struggle with high rental prices.

volvement in Austin won the city the bid. While the money has not come in yet, Neighborly will help Austin raise the funds necessary to get the bond off the ground.

Cole Gerthoffer, radio-television-film junior, is a member of the band Bronco Simmons, which performs in venues around Texas, such as Austin's

Scout Inn. Gerthoffer said the money should go to local and independent music venues to protect them against corporations wanting to buy them out.

"What's hurting are the small venues, because someone can't afford to pay their rent because someone wants to out-buy

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Free Matty B.

By Marina Vences  
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Expanding out of an apartment and into an office downtown, a group of UT alumni created Campus Watch, an app focused on improving student safety.

The app, which was supposed to have a beta launch on Oct. 3 but was delayed, allows students to send crime tips. The tips are later compiled into a heat map of the campus for other users in real time. The students can use a help button through the app to send their coordinates to dispatch centers in order to connect with UTPD and APD.

Paolo Soriano, a creator of Campus Watch, said he thought of the idea for the app in response to recent safety concerns. Soriano said he

wants students to feel safe on campus at all times because of the app.

“Whether it’s mass shootings or rape cases, there is a sense of instability amongst the students where they don’t feel safe,” Soriano said. “They should feel safe in a place where they are getting an education, so we set out to fix a problem that no one seemed to want to fix.”

Soriano said the goal of the app is to prevent crime before it happens.

“On the surface, our problem is safety — which means there is crime,” Soriano said. “So we want to prevent the crime, not react to it after.”

Masha Romanova, Campus Watch’s director of communications, said she wants students to actively participate in their safety by eliminating the bystander effect using the app’s

tips feature.

“You’re able to submit tips whether they’re emergency or non-emergency for you or someone else,” Romanova said. “ [We want] people actually paying attention to the world around them and participate in protecting their peers.”

Management senior Alfredo del Barrio heads the app’s business development and fundraising. As a current UT student, he said his goal is to make the app available to everyone free of charge and for the app to be included in University budgets.

“Our total cost would be 1 percent of the safety budget for UT, but for that 1 percent we do much, we’re access to safety in the palm of your hand,” del Barrio said. “I never want there to be a day where a student has to pay for something that

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Whether it’s mass shootings or rape cases, there is a sense of instability amongst the students where they don’t feel safe ... they should feel safe in place where they are getting an education.

—Paolo Soriano, Campus Watch creator

should be free.”

Radio-television-film senior Natalie Miller says she is excited at the prospect of having another way to access safety services.

“It seems like a good alternative to the police call light posts, because it doesn’t depend on your being in the right place at the right time,” Miller said. “It definitely sounds like some-

thing I would use.”

Campus Watch will officially be released in November, and the team welcomes any student feedback on what needs to be included the app before then.

“It’s student-generated,” Soriano said. “They can actively take part in their safety and not wait for someone else to stand up for them — but for them to stand up for themselves.”

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them to put up a high-rise,” Gerthoffer said. “If they really want to benefit the city of Austin, they should focus on smaller, independent music to really maintain the culture of live music the city is known for.”

The \$10 million is an estimate based on the resources the city has at its disposal, Stanford said.

“The problem isn’t going to be selling enough bonds,” said Jason Stanford, communications director for the mayor. “It’s going to be the infrastructure around it.”

Investors will put money into the cause as a whole, not specific venues, Stanford said. The investors will likely have very little input on which venues receive the money. That will be designated to a board or another type of managing body.

“It’s going to be some sort of board, a group of people who are qualified to make these decisions in a professional way,” Stanford said. “There might be government people on

the board, but it won’t be a government board.”

This investment will be long term, with people buying shares just like any other investment. It is unclear at this point as to whether people will invest in the brick and mortar of the venue or the entire brand.

“At the bare minimum, [the city] bringing attention to this is a huge deal, and it deserves to be commended,” Gerthoffer said. “It’ll all depend on if they can actually put up what they say they’ll do.”

Nick Roseman is the manager of The Local on Guadalupe Street. While he had not heard of this specific bond, Roseman said the music venues of Austin are facing financial problems.

“This city is built on a tradition of live music, and it’s gotten to a point where rent has gotten out of control,” Roseman said. “Bands are putting in a lot of work and they’re not getting paid. They’re not getting paid a lot. If they’re not getting paid, it’s not going to happen, and then we’ll just be Forth Worth.”

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SafeHorns is a coalition of concerned UT parents and other stakeholders committed to taking constructive action to improve safety on and around UT campus.

“We’ve learned that a lot of students don’t engage,” said Joell McNew, a founding member of SafeHorns. “If students don’t report crime, then it’s not real, because APD counts violent crimes, assault and all these things, they get all these statistics and data based on actual reporting.”

Isaiah Carter, Student Government chief of staff, pitched his idea for a safe map that evaluates every street in West

Campus to help students make informed decisions about how to walk home during the event. Carter said SG is trying to combat students concerns and promote safety.

“Students cannot do this alone,” Carter said. “We need help from administrators, we need help from parents and organizations and community leaders, we need help from business leaders in order for this to work.”

After attending the event, Nguyen said she felt events like this were helpful and should be held annually.

“With initiatives like this, you start to feel that there are resources out there for you to go to, there are actually people who care about making campus safer,” Nguyen said.

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CITY

# State Senate implements citation complaint system

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After a public hearing on Tuesday, police departments in Texas may be required to include instructions for civilians about how to make a complaint about a police interaction on every citation or ticket.

The state Senate Criminal Justice Committee hearing was geared towards addressing issues of law enforcement and race relations, and brought together law enforcement and members of the African-American community at the Capitol.

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, introduced the idea of printing instructions on how to file complaints about the ticketing process for the consideration of the committee.

The proposal suggests the directions for filing complaints be printed directly onto the physical ticket.

Art Acevedo, the chief of the Austin Police Department, says he is already in the

design process to implement this change.

“We are going to put information on how to complain on our citations,” Acevedo said after the hearing. “We’ll also put information on how to give feedback, good or bad, because we also want to reinforce good behavior.”

With this change, citizens who are pulled over or detained will be given explicit instructions on how they can file a complaint if they feel they are mistreated by an officer. Steven McCraw, director of the Department of Public Safety, said he will move to do the same for the statewide law enforcement agency.

Reverend James W.E. Dixon, one of three community leaders who testified, said his 9-year-old child is terrified of police and is aware of how the color of his skin may affect his relationship with the police.

“I feel threatened whenever the police stop me,” Dixon said. “I am an endangered species and so is my 9-year-

old son.”

Other possible solutions considered by the committee were a ninth grade civics class teaching students how to interact with police, immediate release of police video upon any complaint, training on how to make traffic stops less aggressive and instituting a minimum penalty for police misconduct.

McCraw said immediate release of dashcam and body camera footage is something that must occur.

He pointed to how quickly the DPS released the footage of the death of Sandra Bland, who was found hanging in her jail cell after being stopped for a minor traffic violation in Waller County.

West also cited a situation in Chicago, where footage of the incident was not released for about 14 months because of the investigation.

“It doesn’t get prettier over time,” McCraw said. “It is what it is.”

Acevedo said the biggest issue with policing is



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Art Acevedo speaks on a panel addressing issues of law enforcement and race relations at the Senate Criminal Justice Committee on Tuesday.

not brutality but the lack of respect and sometimes rudeness that is felt by citizens from police officers who make traffic stops and police neighborhoods.

“The number one complaint against police officers is not

brutality, it is rudeness,” Acevedo said. “It’s not being respectful. We cannot have a stop and frisk policy. We cannot act like an occupying army.”

The hearing will be one of many criminal justice hearings that will be organized

before the legislative session begins in January.

Brochures that detail how citizens can make complaints about police are currently in the design process and should be released in the next few weeks, Acevedo said.

NATIONAL

## Hispanic interest in voter registration spikes after debate

By Miguel Robles  
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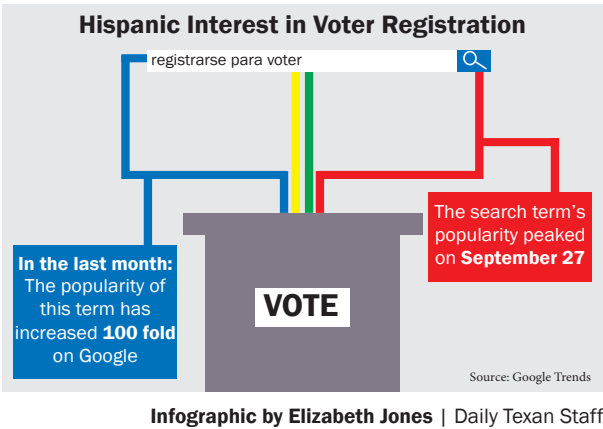
Following the first presidential debate on Sept. 26, a Google Trend concerning Hispanic voter registration interest levels circulated on different social media platforms.

The search for “registrarse para votar,” which translates to “register to vote” in English, was at its all-time peak during the debate, and increased even further the day after.

Business sophomore Sabrina Sifuentes, a first-generation voter, said potential Hispanic voters’ sudden interest in this election is because of anger caused by negative claims made about their communities and on immigration during the presidential race.

Sifuentes said her decision to register stemmed from her parents’ lack of opportunity to voice their political views.

“It’s not something that’s talked about in a Hispanic household, at least not with mine,” Sifuentes said. “I am not happy with the current society we live in and I want to see changes. I’d like to be someone who changes the stereotype of the typical voter and I want to be a role model for my younger siblings and



for generations after me.”

While people of Hispanic descent have continuously had the lowest voter turnout among other ethnicities, a July 2016 poll from the Pew Research Center found that 63 percent of Hispanic voters are more involved in this election than in 2012. This poll also shows that 60 percent of all voters are more involved than in the previous election.

Texas does not keep record of voters’ ethnicities upon registering; however, in various states across the nation, there have been rises in the number of Hispanic people making up the electorate.

Kim Sue Lia “KSL” Perkes, communications director at the Travis County Tax Office, said people would be less inclined to register if asked their race

or ethnicity.

“We don’t take that type of information because we want to keep registration as simple as possible,” Perkes said.

Bailey Schumm, director of Hook the Vote, a nonpartisan agency of Student Government, said government officials do not always reflect the diverse population they represent. As diversity among voters continues to rise, this trend will be reflected in the political atmosphere on both the national and state level, Schumm said.

“Diversity is necessary in terms of the government because you’ll find a lot of perspectives and priorities,” said Schumm, a public health junior. “Voting is one of the easiest ways of influencing your government.”

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trusted and respected by all students, then that means we’re keeping you safe.”

SG Chief of Staff Isaiah Carter, who primarily sponsors SG initiatives on student safety, said having an open line of communication with the UTPD is paramount to keeping student relations with the department strong.

“I think it’s important because I heavily believe in this idea of community policing, where officers build relationships with their constituents and the people they’re serving,” Carter said. “So I think it’s an amazing thing, and I think students are going to gain a lot from it. We now have a perspective of the chief, and he has a perspective of the students.”

Carter pointed to the department’s motto throughout the speech when talking about the need for a strong relationship.

“Every interaction between a police officer and a citizen not only shapes that citizen, but can shape



Chase Karacostas | Daily Texan Staff

UTPD Chief David Carter spoke during Tuesday’s Student Government General Assembly meeting about campus safety.

and develop that police officer in the future,” Carter said. “We have our vision, mission and values, but we also have that motto, ‘Protecting those who will change the world,’ and that’s you.”

After the speech, the assembly continued the meeting’s theme of safety and passed A.R. 9, a resolution supporting the implementation of campus-wide “Stop the Bleed” kits and training programs for students.

The bill asks the University to place the kits, for use in the event of a

situation of uncontrolled blood loss due to a wound, throughout campus next to Automatic Electronic Defibrillator locations in University buildings.

“I think it’s a tremendous benefit,” SG President Kevin Helgren said. “I’m a huge believer in the idea behind and the spirit of bystander intervention. I think it would be awesome for a student nearby to take a proactive role in your safety by aiding you until a more formal role of help can be made available.”

CITY

## Annual burglaries down in Austin, UT

By Kayla Meyertons  
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Burglary crimes in the Austin area have hit a record low, according to the Austin Police Department’s 2015 Annual Crime and Traffic Report.

There were 5,000 total burglaries, about 563 burglaries per 100,000 residents in 2015, the lowest rate Austin has seen in 20 years.

“Citizens are starting to help prevent these crimes by locking their doors and keeping their property out of sight,” said Norman Bujanos, detective for the Austin Police Department burglary unit. “It’s making things less opportunistic for burglars to see your stuff.”

Bujanos covers downtown and central west Austin and said they usually see a rise of burglaries in apartment complexes when school starts.

“The most common causes of residential burglaries have been unlocked doors,” Bujanos said. “A majority of our burglaries are coming in the daytime when people are at work or at school.”

Nursing sophomore Avery Condrey said her apartment at Regents West at 24th was burglarized Monday after her roommate Sarah left the door unlocked for a friend to pick a dress up.

“Sarah was coming home on the phone with her mom and saw our door was cracked open,” Condrey said. “All of our purses were on our beds opened up like someone had gone through them, and that’s when we knew someone

had broken in.”

Condrey said only Sarah’s computer was stolen. They reported the crime to UTPD, who quickly referred them to APD to file a report.

“Of course the one time we leave the door unlocked someone comes in,” Condrey said.

The recent University of Texas 2016 annual security and fire police report showed 18 total on-campus burglaries in 2015. In comparison, there were 36 on-campus burglaries in 2012, 37 cases in 2013 and 34 cases in 2014, according to the University of Texas’s 2015 annual security report.

UT police officer Ben Land said community outreach has been the biggest effort officers have made in reducing crime in the campus area.

“A lot of these criminals are just targets of opportunities,” Land said. “We look at how to deny people those opportunities and to make students more aware of their surroundings.”

Land said about 90 percent of reported crimes are property crimes and about 10 percent are crimes against people.

APD district representatives and detectives in the APD burglary unit put on presentations for homeowners associations to let them know how to prevent burglaries for the neighborhood watch program, Bujanos said.

“[If] people are just being a little bit smarter with they’re doing, I think it makes the Austin area a lot safer,” Bujanos said.

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for Hillary Clinton not only against Donald Trump, because I think she is definitely qualified,” Newman said. “It seems strange to me that she’s having as hard a time as she is.”

Newman said his friends in Germany view American politics as entertainment and are even staying up late to watch the debates despite the seven hour time difference.

“They are watching it with great fascination,” Newman said. “They’re staying up and watching the debates because they care a lot about the American election. They just think it’s a huge theater, it’s Hollywood on stage.”

The two candidates raised concerns with the opposing party’s nominee, such as Trump’s treatment of former Miss Universe Alicia Machado and the Clinton email scandal.

“Donald Trump can’t start a Twitter war with Miss Universe without shooting himself in the foot,” Kaine said.

In regards to the Clinton email scandal, Pence said her private server was an issue of national cyber security.

“I will also tell you that it’s important in this moment to remember that Hillary Clinton had a private server in her home that had classified information on it about drone strikes,” Pence said. “Emails from the president of the United States of America were on there ... We could put cybersecurity first if we just make sure the next secretary of state doesn’t have a private server.”

The next presidential debate will be on Sunday at 8 p.m. It will be held at Washington University in St. Louis. This debate will differ from previous debates as half of the questions will be asked by uncommitted voters chosen by Gallup.

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EDITORIAL

# Capitol statues need work despite addition

By The Daily Texan Editorial Board  
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As Texans, we are no longer shocked by the absurdity that constantly escapes from the State Capitol. Between the often pernicious bills passed in the Lege and the seemingly large population of ignorant and out-of-touch lawmakers that inhabit it, it is often hard to have faith in our state government.

Despite this overall disdain, we must give credit where credit is due. On Sept. 27, crews started assembling the Texas African-American History Memorial on the lawn of the Capitol, which is set to be completed by the end of the fall. The statue represents the history of African-Americans in Texas and their contributions to the state, with a specific section dedicated to emancipation in the state. This achievement is the result of a fight extending back over 20 years, and is well overdue. We cannot ignore our darkness: distance from our terrible history can only happen through active acknowledgment of it, not through ignoring or downplaying it.

While it would appear Texas lawmakers are finally starting to understand the importance of such measures, we know not to get too excited. What's the catch?

The statue will appear on the lawn of a building severely decorated with pro-Confederate imagery. When placed on the same grounds as a plaque located in the Capitol building that calls Confederate war veterans "patriotic" and denies slavery was a cause for the Civil War to the several statues of Confederate soldiers on the lawn, the ode to Texas' African-Americans appears insincere and a step simply made for the sake of appeasement. The lawmakers who fought for this statue for over two decades

finally achieved their goal of some sort of representation. But sadly, the statue will still be largely overshadowed by inherently racist imagery that celebrates, rather than condemns, those who fought on the side of tyranny.

We understand any Texans have distant relatives who fought on the side of the Confederacy and want to actively defend their service out of a purely emotional appeal. But despite our ties, it is not worthy of celebration.

And that's OK. A person is not defined by the actions of their ancestors. What matters is how they choose to react given the facts. But nearly 150 years later, it is time to recognize that our ancestors had faults not worthy of celebration. We cannot continue to celebrate bigotry and try to downplay it by placing an inclusive statue within a few feet.

And defending these statues as pieces of history also misses the larger purpose behind their placement. Many of these monuments were built as a way to make clear statements during times of racial tension. Following *Plessy v. Ferguson* and during the Civil Rights era, these monuments cropped up across the South — including the placement of the Children of the Confederacy Creed plaque inside the capitol building in 1959, and the naming of a state office building for Confederacy Postmaster General John H. Reagan in 1962.

But while the statues are undoubtedly problematic — they stand to memorialize those who fought to keep slavery legal — they're less problematic than that plaque, which abandons the facade of memorializing a particular brave ancestor for their service in order to further the carefully crafted lie that is the "states' rights" explanation for the Civil War.

For all the cries of revisionism that Confederate apologists make whenever a statue is



**Zoe Fu** | Daily Texan Staff  
A construction crew assembles the Texas African-American History Memorial on the Texas Capitol lawn on Oct. 4. The memorial joins several Confederate memorials at the Capitol.

removed or a building renamed, this understanding is the literal definition of rewriting history. The Texas Ordinance of Secession outlines why African slaves "were rightfully held and regarded as an inferior and dependent race, and in that condition only could their existence in this country be rendered beneficial or tolerable." The only rights it discusses are what they perceive to be the right of white men to own slaves.

We'd prefer that the statues that memorialize those who fought for this cause be taken down, but we also know that's almost guaranteed not to happen. For now, we simply

ask that the state acknowledge that what they fought for was wrong, and remove a plaque that fights hard to heroize those who deserve the opposite.

The African-Americans who have fought for over 150 years to be recognized as equals are those who deserve to be heroized. We congratulate all those who have fought to make this a possibility, especially State Sen. Rodney Ellis, who has for years spearheaded the effort to have this statue built. But it is never enough to be complacent with a small victory in the face of overwhelming injustice. And that's what this is.

COLUMN

# E-sports acquisitions must put fan experience first

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Last week, the Philadelphia 76ers became the first professional sports franchise to own an e-sports team when they acquired Team Dignitas, which is best described as the 76ers of the e-sports world (both teams have been starving for wins since 2015). On the opposite end of the skill spectrum, Peter Guber, executive chairman of the Golden State Warriors, who set an NBA record by winning 73 games during the 2015-16 season, finalized a partnership with the internationally ranked, popular e-sports franchise Team Liquid, forming the e-sports ownership group aXiomatic. It seems power follows power.

This year has been a big one for American e-sports, which is commonly known as competitive video gaming. What began with 10,000 participants in a Space Invaders tournament in 1980 is now a 150-million-person global fanbase that includes icons such as Shaquille O'Neal, Magic Johnson and DJ Steve Aoki — each of whom has invested in e-sports franchises. Having come from such humble beginnings, the introduction of organizations as large as the 76ers and the Golden State Warriors marks a significant pivot for e-sports.

Besides the publicity, the financial gambles by big organizations give investors a sense of security in funding teams that subsist on tournament winnings. Team backers, on average, lose \$180,000 per team, a daunting

“Mutual profit is all fine and dandy, but for competitive gaming fans and players, the preservation of each e-sports team’s brand, streamers and associated communities are paramount.”

fact for investors. Teams that don't win big or often will usually disband; a team's loss is a loss in a team's stock value. As more influential organizations invest into these digital gaming teams, it becomes increasingly important to consider what precedents these NBA franchises set with e-sports teams.

While the terms of the 76ers' acquisition of Team Dignitas and Apex Gaming are still not clear, an email interview with Team Liquid's co-CEO Victor Goossens explained why the franchise's new partnership with aXiomatic would set a positive precedent.

Goossens explains that while aXiomatic now has a controlling interest, Team Liquid will retain its internal hierarchy, both co-CEOs will keep their titles and team players will have the same amount of autonomy as always.

"This deal would not have gone through if we had wanted to leave Team Liquid, and that shows how much Peter values our direct involvement," Goossens said.



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[My co-CEO] and I are excited to learn as much as we can from our [new] partners, but we know we can also teach them a thing or two about our industry." He claims the new partnership would exchange Team Liquid's "product" for more financial stability, access to resources and networking opportunities than he could have dreamed of.

This is not the story of an NBA titan claiming a digital gaming franchise nor is this the story of a gaming franchise left

with a label and none of the associated resources. Mutual profit is all fine and dandy, but for competitive gaming fans and players, the preservation of each e-sports team's brand, streamers and associated communities are paramount. As Goossens puts it, "This is about a group of co-owners coming together with the same goals and vision," and this balance ought to be the goal for future e-sports partnerships.

*Duran is international relations and global studies freshman from Spring.*

COLUMN

# Clean coal provides little to fight climate change

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Republicans seem to be experiencing trouble on how to spin their climate change denial. Ohio Gov. John Kasich debuted a new line of attack on climate change at the Texas Tribune Festival in late September, saying that he believes "we have an obligation to take care of [the Earth], but not worship it." Comments like these are not only disingenuous but are downright harmful to the fight against climate change.

In case Kasich and his Republican colleagues don't know, climate change is a real, pressing threat. Sea levels are rising, oceans are facing acidification and our government has even categorized climate change as a national security issue. If we don't take decisive action soon, the effects of our emissions will become irreversible.

But even with an overwhelming consensus that yields an undeniable conclusion, Republicans still don't see an impetus to act. To complicate matters even further, Kasich, along with Vice Presidential Candidate Mike Pence, are introducing a new factor into the equation: clean coal.

As keynote speaker at the Texas Tribune Festival, the Ohio governor said that we should continue to depend on coal and just "dig, clean it and burn it." Now that seems just lovely, until you get past the spin and into the specifics. Coal provides almost half of the energy needed to produce electricity and has earned the title of being the biggest air pollutant we have. Even if we clean it, it's just like putting a dress on a pig because the problem still remains.

By some estimates, clean coal would increase mining operations because it requires an estimated 25 percent more energy to produce the same amount as the regular coal we

are used to. Combine that with our crumbling infrastructure that we would need to transport the increased tonnage, and you have something as messy as a conservative trying to dodge an answer to fixing our climate.

Now don't get me wrong, fixing coal would be better than doing absolutely nothing with it — especially while it still makes up a substantial portion of our nation's energy infrastructure. In fact, President Obama's climate plan includes provisions that incentivize the use of carbon capture technology, demonstrating our reliance on coal for the near future. But we cannot sit idly by and allow politicians like John Kasich and Mike Pence tout these buzzword technologies without also proposing plans that include renewable energy solutions that are proven to help combat the issue of climate change.

By making the bold move to transition our nation to a green future, we would see a renewed boom in the global economy, improved

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living conditions and an increase of jobs that could be measured in millions, according to the International Renewable Energy Agency.

In the end, our politicians hold the power to dictate the future of our world. It's about time that Kasich follows his own advice, in that "when you get responsibility, put your hands on the wheel and drive the car." Let's just hope that car runs on renewable energy.

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FILM

# Filmmaker documents Texas-German culture

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The voices of the rare Texas-German dialect are singing their swan song, but documentarian Chase Honaker is on a mission to capture their final notes on film.

It all started with five grueling days of interviews, filming and editing as part of the 2014 Fusion Documentary Challenge. The end result was “All Gut Things,” a six-minute documentary about the dying German dialect.

Now, Honaker and producer Ashley James are developing “All Gut Things” into a feature-length project. With over 50 percent of their filming complete, they hope the crowd-funding campaign they’ll launch this Thursday at the German Free School will provide them with the funding to complete filming and move them into post-production.

The documentary, which they plan to complete by April of 2017, focuses on the work of the Texas German Dialect Project. The TGDP, run by Germanic studies professor

Hans Boas, has been documenting the language since the organization’s founding in 2001. Honaker and James have been following this group and filming interviews with native speakers to document the language before it dies out.

“I always knew there was this German population in Texas, but I didn’t realize there was this language and culture that was even more underground,” Honaker said. “That this culture still exists but the language is going extinct is what interested me even more. Our question is: if the language goes extinct, what else goes along with it?”

According to linguistics professor James Slotta, Texas-German is unusual because heritage languages normally die out by the third generation of migrants. Despite the language’s comparative longevity, it wasn’t able to withstand lingering prejudices following the World Wars.

Anti-German sentiments following these wars led to a sharp decline in teaching the language. Native speakers consciously, or sometimes uncon-

sciously, stopped transmitting the language to their children. Baby boomers might know a little bit of the language, but don’t speak it fluently. Texas-German never recovered from this loss. By 1950, the number of new speakers of the language was virtually zero.

Texas-German, projected to be extinct by the year 2040, is only one of the world’s 7,000 languages, half of which are expected to be extinct by the end of the 21st century.

For Diane Moltz, one of the native speakers interviewed as part of the TGDP, the Texas-German culture and language remain a large part of her life. She and her husband grew up speaking the language in and around New Braunfels, and today, they continue to participate in a range of cultural activities, from singing in a German choir to participating as officers in a polka dance club.

Although the Moltzs’ children share in their community involvement, none of them speak more than a few scattered phrases in Texas-German.

“Our children have all said



Juan Figueroa | Daily Texan Staff

Documentarian Chase Honaker and producer Ashley James will launch a crowd-funding campaign this Thursday at the German Free School for their feature-length project “All Gut Things.” The documentary focuses on the rare Texas-German dialect and culture.

to us, ‘Why didn’t you teach us German?’” said Moltz. “If I had it to do over again I would. But when I was a young person that wasn’t very important to me.”

Moltz, born in 1940, is a member of the aging population of remaining Texas-German speakers. Slotta said that

once the oldest generation of a community constitutes its only speakers, a language has reached a stage where chances of recovery are slim.

Honaker believes that TGDP is important because of the deep influence made by the wave of German immigrants that migrated to

Texas in the early 1830s.

“So many things that we consider ‘Texan’ came about because of when the Germans that migrated here,” said Honaker. “Dying languages are a really interesting phenomenon that we need to document because their impact on our own culture could be huge.”

## DACA

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developments in the context of the upcoming presidential election.

“I didn’t realize the danger of crossing the border,” Belman said. “I just remember standing in front of the river knowing that soon I was going to be able to see my dad.”

Professor Denise Gilman, director of the Immigration Clinic at the UT Law School, will moderate the panel. She said the DACA program was announced in 2012 as a way to address the professional barriers undocumented students in the U.S. face after graduation. DACA protects them against deportation and

provides work authorization but is not permanent and doesn’t lead to citizenship.

“There were so many people who were in this horrible limbo situation,” Gilman said. “They feared deportation but it was more than that. It was this idea that they’d worked so hard but they couldn’t do anything to benefit themselves and their family by working as professionals. This was finally a chance to become a part of the community in a more meaningful way.”

After finding out about DACA, Belman began working with the University Leadership Initiative, an undergraduate organization which partners with the Equal Justice Center to spread infor-

mation about DACA and facilitate the application process through pro bono clinics.

As an advocate for ULI, Belman attended a speech given by President Obama at the Paramount Theatre in the summer of 2014. He and his brother risked being escorted out by the Secret Service when they stood up and repeated, “Stop deportation, expand administrative relief.”

“At the end of his speech, [Obama] pointed toward us and [we were] escorted to the back of the theater where we got to share our stories and really tell him how his immigration policies had affected us,” Belman said.

Nutrition senior Edgar Navarrete is another DACA

recipient who will speak at the panel. Though his family came to the U.S. with a visitor’s visa, they stayed illegally in order to escape the gang violence and job scarcity in their hometown. Navarrete, however, wasn’t aware of his undocumented status until he began applying to colleges.

“I grew up going to school and doing the pledge of allegiance,” Navarrete said. “I thought I was as American as the people beside me.”

Navarrete didn’t let it stop him. He conducted his own research on immigration relief and gathered all the necessary paperwork to submit his DACA application and receive a work per-

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This was finally a chance to become a part of the community in a more meaningful way.

—Denise Gilman,  
Director of Immigration Clinic

mit. Today, he is working toward becoming a licensed Texas attorney who practices immigration law so that he can help students in similar situations.

But according to Gilman, the future of programs like DACA is uncertain.

“[Those] who support

and care for young people who have DACA should be paying close attention knowing that the outcome of this election is very likely to affect the future of the DACA program,” Gilman said. “Depending on what happens in the election it could be taken away.”

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FOOTBALL

Former Longhorns, Sooners excel in NFL



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Texas and No. 20 Oklahoma are set to face off at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas on Saturday. While the programs have been fairly even on the field over the last few years — both have won two of the last four — the two differ in producing pro players. Here’s a positional breakdown of the Longhorns and Sooners in the NFL.

Quarterback: Oklahoma

Former Sooner Sam Bradford from the Minnesota Vikings is the only starting quarterback from the two schools. Washington Redskins’ Colt McCoy had success against Bradford in college with wins in 2008 and 2009, but serves as his team’s backup in the pros.

Running back: Oklahoma

Texas offers Fozzy Whitaker from the Carolina Panthers against Oklahoma’s DeMarco Murray (Tennessee Titans) and Adrian Peterson (Minnesota Vikings). Whittaker has charged for 141 rushing yards this season while Murray has 340 yards and three touchdowns



Former Texas defensive tackle Malcom Brown is one of many defensive linemen representing the Longhorns in the NFL. Brown was the No. 32 overall pick in the 2015 NFL Draft.

Jonathan Garza  
Daily Texan File

through four games. Peterson is a seven-time pro bowl selection, but will miss the majority of the season with an injured knee. Advantage Oklahoma.

Wide Receiver: Oklahoma

Texas has just one active NFL receiver to its name in Buffalo Bills’ Marquise Goodwin. Oklahoma brings two receivers to the table in New York Giants rookie Sterling Shepard and Miami Dolphins’ Kenny Stills. Both Shepard and Stills have more career yards and touchdowns than Goodwin, giving the advantage to the Sooners.

Defensive Line: Texas

Oklahoma boasts one of the top defensive tackles in the NFL in Tampa Bay Buccaneers’ Gerald McCoy, who is a four-time pro bowler. However, the Longhorns win the position battle with quantity. Texas produced several quality defensive linemen, including Arizona Cardinals’ Alex Okafor, Indianapolis Colts’ Hassan Ridgeway, New England Patriots’ Malcom Brown and Vikings’ Brian Robison.

Linebacker: Texas

Headlined by Kansas City Chiefs’ Derrick Johnson and

Titans’ Brian Orakpo, the Longhorns take the linebacker spot. The duo combines for seven pro bowls, while Oklahoma has zero pro bowl linebackers in the league. Top Sooners include Denver Broncos’ Corey Nelson and Buccaneers’ Devante Bond.

Secondary: Texas

Often dubbed “DBU” for having defensive backs drafted, the Longhorns hold the edge on the back end. Seattle Seahawks safety Earl Thomas is a five-time All-Pro honoree, while Carolina Panthers safety Michael Griffin has played in two Pro Bowls. Texas also boasts solid second-

ary contributors in Detroit Lions’ Quandre Diggs, New Orleans Saints’ Kenny Vaccaro and San Diego Chargers’ Adrian Phillips. The Sooners have just one NFL defensive back in Jacksonville Jaguars’ Aaron Colvin.

Special Teams: Texas

Texas wins the special teams battle by default with two kickers to Oklahoma’s none. Baltimore Ravens’ Justin Tucker made the Pro Bowl in 2013, while San Francisco’s Phil Dawson was selected in 2012 as a member of the Cleveland Browns. The Sooners have one active NFL punter in Redskins’ Tress Way.

FOOTBALL

Oklahoma back in polls, Baylor stays undefeated

By Sydney Rubin  
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Oklahoma climbs back into AP Top 25

It wasn’t pretty, but Oklahoma went into Fort Worth and came out with a much-needed victory against then-No. 21 TCU. The Sooners’ defense gave up 21 points in the first quarter, but held on to claim a 52-46 victory. Junior quarterback Baker Mayfield who was considered a Heisman contender prior to the season, returned to form after a lackluster start to the season. Mayfield accounted for four of the Sooners’ touchdowns, running two into the endzone and connecting with senior receiver Dede Westbrook for the other two. Oklahoma crawled back into the top-25 after dropping out earlier in the season following losses to Houston and Ohio State.

Oklahoma is slated to face off against Texas this weekend in the Red River Showdown

in Dallas. Both teams hold 2-2 records and are looking to salvage their seasons.

Texas Tech wins at a cost

Texas Tech blew past Kansas with a 55-19 victory on Thursday, but the win came with a price. Junior quarterback Patrick Mahomes, the nation’s third-leading passer, injured his shoulder in the third quarter — he’s currently “day-to-day”, according to Texas Tech. Mahomes threw for 277 yards and four touchdowns before leaving the game. Junior quarterback Nic Shimonek took over for Mahomes and proved to be up to the task. Shimonek mirrored Mahomes’ passing prowess, throwing for 271 yards and four touchdowns in the victory. After the game, head coach Kliff Kingsbury said he would be “very comfortable” with playing Shimonek at quarterback if Mahomes is unavailable

in the coming weeks.

Texas Tech will travel to Manhattan, Kansas, this weekend to face Kansas State.

Baylor sneaks by to remain undefeated

Through five weeks, No. 13 Baylor and No. 22 West Virginia remain the only perfect teams in the Big 12 after barely edging out their opponents on Saturday. Baylor hung on to the top spot in the Big 12 after sneaking out a 45-42 victory against Iowa State on the road. The Bears stormed back from a 14-point fourth quarter deficit and sealed the victory with a 19-yard field goal as the clock hit zero. Senior running back Shock Linwood — the conference’s third-leading rusher — carried the ball for 237 yards and one touchdown. The Bears’ defense shutout the Cyclones in the final period to steal the win.

FOOTBALL



Juan Figueroa | Daily Texan Staff

Junior running back D’Onta Foreman is extra motivated for Texas’ matchup with Oklahoma after not receiving an offer from the Sooners.

Confident, motivated Texas ready for rivalry

By Tyler Horka  
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Gilbert talks receiving options

Sophomore receiver John Burt has battled a hand injury in recent weeks that has prevented him from producing at a high level, according to offensive coordinator Sterlin Gilbert. Gilbert said Burt, who still leads Texas in receiving with 191 yards (with 111 of those coming in week one against Notre Dame), suffered the injury in week two. Gilbert said the injury has progressively gotten better since then. The first-year offensive coordinator also highlighted senior receiver Jake Oliver, who hadn’t recorded a reception until this season. The Dallas native now has 13 receptions for the Longhorns after winning the starting slot receiver job in training camp. “He’s got those kind of ball skills, those kind of ... understanding the space, where to be at, how to fit in space, how to run a route,” Gilbert said. “Those kinds of things are attributes we’re looking for in receivers that fit in this offense and our schemes.”

Leonard excited, confident heading to Dallas

Junior receiver Dorian Leonard said despite the back-to-back losses, the team has all the confidence it needs knowing it’s preparing to play in the Cotton Bowl against Texas’ biggest rival on the schedule. With the stadium split at the 50-yard line, half in burnt

orange and the other half in crimson, Leonard said it’s an easy game to get excited to play in. He said running out of the tunnel is the best part of the game’s atmosphere. “It’s crazy because when you run out, you’re on the OU side,” Leonard said. “So you just hear ‘Boo! Boo!’ Then the further you get out, you start hearing your fans ... It just gives you a lot of momentum going into the game.”

Foreman extra motivated to play Oklahoma

Junior running back D’Onta Foreman said he has extra motivation when playing Oklahoma every season. His twin brother, junior receiver Armanti, originally committed to Oklahoma, while Foreman didn’t receive an offer from the Sooners. “I always had certain schools that offered him but didn’t offer me,” Foreman said. “But there’s just something about OU. I think it was the first offer he got. And it was just the way it happened.” Oklahoma might have regretted not offering Foreman a scholarship when he rattled off an 81-yard rush in last year’s matchup. The play set Texas up to take a 24-10 lead in an eventual 24-17 victory. “We just went out there and played hard and we felt like we could win a game,” Foreman said. “I feel like this season is the same thing. We’re going to go out there and play hard, and I feel like we can get a win.”

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Texas finishes ninth after rough final day

The Longhorns finished in ninth place at the Nike Collegiate Invitational at Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth. The team entered the day in eighth, but struggled in round three with a 295 score — the worst of any team that finished in the top-10. Vanderbilt won the tournament with a score 1-under par, just one stroke ahead of Florida. Senior Gavin Hall shot a 74 on the final day to finish the tournament tied for No. 14, while junior Doug Ghim recorded a 72 and finished No. 27. Other Longhorn participants include junior Scottie Scheffler and sophomores Steven Chervony and Taylor Funk — the trio finished No. 45, tied at 48 and tied at 69, respectively. Chervony shot a final round 79 and Funk recorded a 74. Texas has a few weeks off before its next tournament appearance. The team will compete at The Golf Club of Georgia Collegiate on Oct. 21-23. —Russell Jones

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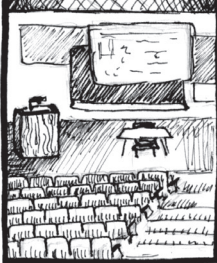

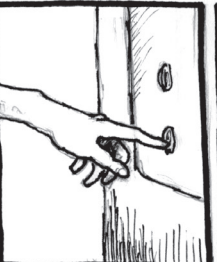


Aren't you  
hot, ma'am?  
Hmmm?

You're  
sweating  
like a  
DOG!

MY COVER  
HAS BEEN BLOWN.  
WOOF-WOOF.

Junior Varsity

Jessica Vacek



COLD OPEN

SO YOU'VE NEVER  
KISSED ANYONE?

n.no.

WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO?

YES! AND AFTER,  
LET'S GO GET  
BURGERS!

IT IS POSSIBLE  
TO HAVE IT ALL!

Noel Rivera '16

Jeffrey

Oh yeah! I almost  
forgot - I have to  
turn in my report  
today by 3:00!



Oh, it's already  
way past the  
deadline.

I am going to hell



by L. Moyer

PHIL THE SLOTH



WHAT THE



OH MY  
SLOTH GOD!



YOU'VE  
JUST GOT  
SOUPED

GLED

Today's solution will appear here next issue

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SUDOKUFORYOU

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The New York Times

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0831

**ACROSS**

1 Sty fare

5 Stuff for sale at concerts

10 Galileo Galilei  
Airport city

14 Federico of the  
Clinton cabinet

15 State bordering  
British Columbia

16 Bow-toting deity

17 Hormel's  
assurance that  
Spam is packed  
safely?

19 [I need this  
immediately]

20 Singer Lambert

21 Exposed to risk

23 Like most  
pretzels

26 Brazil \_\_\_\_

27 L.A. campus

28 Ill temper

29 Playground  
equipment thief?

34 Places to hang  
hats

36 "It's \_\_\_\_-brainer!"

37 Major conduits

38 "Enough!" as  
opposed to  
"You quit that  
right now!"?

42 Bathroom fixture

44 \_\_\_\_ de toilette

45 Zero, at Ashe  
Stadium

48 "Miss Dickinson,  
put your poem  
on Facebook?"

52 An air ball  
misses this

53 Mental health  
org.

54 Parker or Cross

55 Kentucky Derby  
prize

57 Picnic baskets

59 A skeptic may  
raise one

61 Victims of the  
Morlocks, in  
sci-fi

62 "Use this  
sparingly" ...  
or a hint to this  
puzzle's theme

67 Broadway  
musical based on  
"La Bohème"

68 Epic of Troy

69 Tree of Life  
locale

70 Track figures

71 Reds and Blues

72 Not a good  
thing to do while  
driving

**DOWN**

1 One may bug  
you

2 Stan of Marvel  
Comics

3 Walk- \_\_\_\_

4 Handle clumsily

5 Mineral used for  
insulation

6 Dutch cheese  
town

7 Campaigned

8 China's  
Kai-shek

9 Poolside amenity

10 Bog fuel

11 Taxpayers'  
bugaboos

12 Penetrates fully

13 Sides

18 Breyers  
alternative

22 "PAID," for one

23 Enjoy, as brandy

24 "i," in a  
72-Across

25 Gangland rival of  
Dutch Schultz

30 Cabinet  
department until  
1947

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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**PUZZLE BY NED WHITE**

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**31** Acct. earnings

**32** Rhinoplasty  
targets

**33** Something to hit  
on the head

**35** Silverstein who  
wrote "A Boy  
Named Sue"

**39** Most common  
blood group

**40** Bit of body art, in  
brief

**41** Montréal assent

**42** Come to the  
rescue

**43** Stuck

**46** Go head-to-head

**47** Rescue squad  
letters

**49** Hunter's  
document

**50** Attractive to  
bargain hunters

**51** Gait slower than  
a canter

**56** Little hooter

**58** The absolute  
worst, with "the"

**59** Grin from ear to  
ear

**60** Purges

**63** Rio automaker

**64** Suffix with Gator  
or Power

**65** "The birds and  
the bees"

**66** Explosive in  
Road Runner  
cartoons

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THEATER & DANCE

## ‘Water’ tackles inequality, power of community

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“In the Red and Brown Water” unmask issues of inequality suffered by minorities in the United States. And though the play seems to be set in a distant time and place, the story mirrors the poverty, racism and strife afflicting the world today.

From Oct. 5-16, the Department of Theatre and Dance will perform the play “In the Red and Brown Water.” The show, based in Louisiana, features a predominantly African-American cast and stars acting senior Christian Henley as Oya, a young track star who must cope with her mother’s death and the end of her track career. Theatre and African studies senior Oktavea Williams, plays Oya’s foil, Nia.

“This show is our protest,” Williams said. “It’s our gift for the 4 percent of black students who may be the only black kids in class, who don’t have a chance to see themselves in the media or on campus. This is our gift to those who are being displaced and pushed out of their homes right now. The biggest goal we could ever achieve is making sure that folks are able to see themselves in the work that we put out.”

The racism that exists in

the play is subtle. Overtly racist comments are absent from the performance, but white men hold the only two positions of power. One controls the only store mentioned in the play. The other holds the key to Oya’s future in running track.

“That’s the only commentary you get on that subject,” Henley said. “It’s just, ‘Oh these people have this,’ and you don’t think anything about it. But it’s there because in the context of today, that’s relevant. That’s why the show is based in the ‘distant present’ because it doesn’t have to be anything related to this exact moment, but it is.”

Playwright Tarell Alvin McCraney’s writing in the play reflects authentic Louisiana culture. All of the characters narrate their actions aloud, use a Louisiana dialect and speak in a poetic rhyme similar to Shakespearean language. Co-director Robert Ramirez said the show also fused language, gesture and movement to add to the performance.

“I can’t look at or hear ‘In the Red and Brown Water’ as just a play,” Ramirez said. “I look at it as a ritual, an experience and an illuminating journey.”

Williams said she auditioned for the play because she wanted to show the audience what life is really like for minorities.



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Lit Christian Henley stars as “Oya” in the the Department of Theatre and Dance’s production of “In the Red and Brown Water.”

“This is the type of work that I want to continue doing,” Williams said. “This is the type of work that feeds my soul: art that has purpose, means something and is reflective of real things that are happening in society.”

In addition to highlighting racial inequality, the show also demonstrates how life

in the projects tears at the sanity of its residents. Oya forgoes her chance to attend college to stay with her ill mother, and eventually faces infertility as she tries to start a family.

But at the same time, through it all, her neighbors support her fight through misery instead

of letting it absorb her. Henley said that people will be able to feel the sense of community that comes through a group of people experiencing the same suffering.

“You feel for Oya because you see that’s she’s trying to live, but life is just throwing its little

sprinkles on her,” Henley said. “I think the hard part is finding where she is happy, finding where her life isn’t just about all the sad things. Because it’s not. Those things inform the decisions that she makes, but they don’t inform that she’s still herself as this girl who loves to run.”

CAMPUS

## Two UT professors find love, bats in Parlin Hall basement



By Morgan O’Hanlon  
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On a late-October evening, a noise coming from the hallways in Parlin Hall’s basement brought professors Thomas Garza and Elizabeth Richmond-Garza out from their adjacent offices and together for the first time.

They were new hires. Garza had been working in the state department in D.C. and Richmond-Garza had just moved from New York and was finishing her dissertation in comparative literature.

“We both ended up in the exile offices with all the people who weren’t important yet,” said Garza, now an associate professor in the department of Slavic and Eurasian studies.

But he had taken notice of the “cool” professor across the hall and hoped for an opportunity to speak to her.

One night, when Garza stayed late to grade papers, his opportunity came when he heard a sound outside his office.

That sound, Garza discovered, was the beating wings of Mexican free-tailed bats. They had gotten into the ceiling from an unsealed vent and turned the space into a home similar to the

one underneath the Congress Avenue Bridge.

“I see Elizabeth in her office and my brain immediately goes in to male mode,” Thomas said. “I was thinking: she’s going to walk out, freak out and I’m going to be the one to tell her not to worry, that these are just little Mexican free-tails.”

His attempts at chivalry were foiled when Richmond-Garza proclaimed, “I love bats!” But he wasn’t discouraged.

“A woman who loves bats,” he said. “I knew I had to go out with her.”

After their initial meeting, Garza said the relationship developed quickly. The two are now married, have two black cats and enjoy watching the bats from top-floor restaurants in buildings downtown.

Garza said they take advantage of simple pleasures like this when they’re in Austin, but when they travel to Europe for their research, the tone of their interactions shifts to one of academic exchange.

As Garza does a sociocultural analysis of the habits of young people in Russia under Putin’s leadership, for example, Richmond-Garza seeks to understand themes in the country’s art and literature.

Because of these different approaches, Richmond-Garza said they offer each other honest, constructive feedback that helps their professional pursuits.

“Our differences

make us the best editors for each other,” said Richmond-Garza.

The noticeable differences between the two fade away when they talk to each other. Each completes the others’ thoughts and their respective dialogue flows seamlessly.

Garza grew up in south Texas near the Mexican Border, and was part of his family’s first generation to pursue high education. Richmond-Garza was the daughter of two professors; she grew up moving between countries, following her parents’ work.

“You look at it one way and think that there’s no overlap. And then you look at it from another angle and it’s like, actually at such a deep level, there is,” Richmond-Garza said.

“He grew up on the border, I grew up with two passports. We both had parents who said that education is the way to get somewhere that matters.”

Richmond-Garza said these deeper similarities are the ones that really matter because they laid the foundation for the values that she and Garza share.

“You look for deep structure of what matters to you, in terms of values, that can be similar,” said Richmond-Garza. “If this deep structure stuff is off and you haven’t found a way to make it harmonious, then you end up being in conflict and most of the other things are really just superficial.”

UT professors Thomas Garza and Elizabeth Richmond-Garza first met when Mexican free-tailed bats entered the building near Richmond-Garza’s office.



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